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SUBJECT: Update on PKK Violence (April 16-23, 2009)

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[1](#)1. (SBU) This is another in a series of weekly reports on PKK violence in Turkey. Our primary source is the Turkish General Staff (TGS) website, which documents contacts and clashes with the PKK, as well as casualties incurred.

[1](#)2. (U) During the April 16-23, 2009, no security official was killed or injured. The total number of security force casualties for the year through April 23, was three killed and nine injured.

[1](#)3. (U) During the same period, one PKK terrorist was killed in a clash in Tunceli Province on April 22. One PKKer surrendered in Cukurca, Hakkari Province on April 20. According to official TGS website figures, through the third week of April, the number of PKK militants killed this year was ten, the number of those captured was 15, and the number of those who surrendered was 35.

[1](#)4. (U) During the reporting period no civilian was hurt or killed. The total number of civilian casualties for the year through the end of the third week of April, was one killed and five wounded.

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